

REMARKS

Claims 1-41 are pending in this application. Claims 1-41 have been allowed. The specifications have been amended in paragraphs [0019] and [0039] to correct an inconsistency in the numbering between the drawings and the text. No new matter has been added by the amendments.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-0429 (584-34206-US).

Respectfully submitted,



Dated: 12 December 2005

Kaushik P. Sriram, Reg. No. 43,150
Madan, Mossman & Sriram, P.C.
2603 Augusta, Suite 700
Houston, Texas 77057
Telephone: (713) 266-1130
Facsimile: (713) 266-8510